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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Mobilization Assignments for NSC Employees
in the Armed Forces Reserve Components

It is understood that the Central Intelligence Agency has made arrangements with the armed forces whereby CIA employees in the Reserve Components are given mobilization assignments to CIA.

It is requested that similar arrangements be made for all employees of the National Security Council who are in the Reserve Components to be given mobilization assignments to the National Security Council in an active or inactive status at the discretion of the Executive Secretary of the Council. It would also be appreciated if NSC employees in the Reserve Components were authorized to participate in any active or inactive duty training program established by CIA.

It is further requested that arrangements be made if possible for NSC employees who are subject to draft to be given deferment at the discretion of the Executive Secretary of the Council. *(Major mobilization only. No deferments desired under normal peace time draft - phone conversation between Mr. Day & Mr. Shannon on 19 Oct 48) vj*

The above requests are made for the following reasons:

a. Since it is clearly intended that the National Security Council and its permanent staff shall be civilian in character, it would appear undesirable in war as well as in peace that the permanent employees of the NSC staff should be placed in uniform.

b. The NSC staff is composed largely of personnel detailed from the member departments and agencies, plus a very small nucleus of permanent career civilian employees who can give continuity to the staff's operations. The loss of any of these career civilians who are in the Military Reserve Components by active duty assignments elsewhere would defeat the above purpose and jeopardize the Council's operations at the very time when these operations would probably be at a peak.

c. It is believed that, in view of a and b above, the contribution to any war effort of the NSC employees in the Military Reserve Components would be as great or greater if they remained in their regular positions than it would be by reassignment.

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At the present time the NSC employees who are in the Military Reserve Components are:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Serial No.</u>
<u>a.</u>	<u>Naval Reserve</u>		
	Sidney W. Souers	Rear Admiral, USNR	62485
	Marion W. Boggs	Lieut., USNR	252767
	Hugh D. Farley	Lieut., USNR	231822
<u>b.</u>	<u>Army Reserve</u>		
	James S. Lay, Jr.	Lt. Col., MI	O-304371

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